



CITY OF MORGAN HILL

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AFTER ACTION

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 24, 2000

Morgan Hill Civic Center City Council Chambers 17555 Peak Avenue Morgan Hill, California	Chair	Rick Page	<u>Committee</u> Endowment	
	Vice-Chair	Laura Hagiperos		Recreation
	Commission Member	Mark Frederick		Bicycle
	Commission Member	Joanna Schirle		Youth
	Commission Member	Wayne Tanda		Parks
	Commission Member	Craig C. van Keulen		Seniors
Commission Member	William C. Weber, Jr.		Vision Projects	
Ex-Officio Member			(School District)	

7:09 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Page

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Recreation Manager Spier

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2 (Recreation Manager Spier)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Commissioner Hagiperos

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

REPORTS

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Commissioners Tanda, van Keulen, Weber arrived.

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Community Park: 95% completed; vandalism to fence and grass area so have installed temporary barriers.

Skate park: PW Staff Steve Machida has met with design consultant Alan Fishman and will return with scope of the project and will schedule a community meeting.

ADA: Wiechert, Jackson are completed and working on Galvan for restrooms and to install fibar on the playgrounds.

Chair Page indicated there was a need for more orange fencing to maintain safety.

Nordstrom: Rocky soil problems/ look into hydro seeding as a compromise, reduces maintenance period for 30 days.

Commissioner Frederick asked if there was a guarantee for plant material from the contractor. Deputy Director Struve replied there was a guarantee and that 6 inches of topsoil had to be brought in.

RECREATION MANAGER'S REPORT

Reviewing applications submitted for Recreation Supervisor and will be setting up interviews.

Library Commission is working on a request for proposal for site feasibility consultant.

IDI has been meeting with staff to discuss alternate firework sites.

COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS: Endowment, Recreation, Parks, Vision Projects

Chair Page and Commissioner Hagiperos has been working with staff to develop some activities for the spring break period, April 21-27, 2000. The "Recreation Sampler" will introduce about 5 programs in anticipation of a summer program. Announcements have been in the monthly City Visions newsletter.

RECOGNITION OF TREE DONATION BY CHAIR PAGE

Chair Page was recognized for his family donation of a tree to Nordstrom Park. He stated that he wanted to encourage business groups/citizens to beautify Morgan Hill. Chair Page would like to see the scope of the Donate-A-Tree program broaden throughout the City such as Dunne Ave and Monterey dividers. Commissioner Weber suggested that live Christmas Trees could be planted at City Parks after the holiday season. Chair Page requested that pricing information be provided to the Commission.

Commissioner Tanda inquired if PW Director Ashcraft had concerns regarding maintenance and watering? He referred to the Our City Forest Program in San Jose where Tree Amigos are responsible for three years to nurture a tree and training is provided to the volunteers. Commissioner Tanda will provide the information to Deputy Director Struve.

CONSENT CALENDAR: can be approved with one motion

1. **APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2000.**
2. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 22, 1999.**
3. **SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS OF DECEMBER 7, 1999 AND JANUARY 4, 2000** - Staff stated that the Senior Advisory Committee will continue to visit senior center sites and gather information towards their own facility preferences.
4. **JANUARY WORK PLAN - STAFF**

Motion made by Commissioner van Keulen, seconded by Chair Page, all approved to accept these reports.

5. **BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA OF DECEMBER 20, DECEMBER 28, 1999 AND JANUARY 20, 2000** - Committee Member

Committee member Eltgroth was present to provide a report. The Bicycle Advisory Committee was on the front page of City Visions and also in the Morgan Hill Times regarding the December 28 ride with the Bikeways Master Plan Consultant. Beth Gardner is the Chair and Bob Harrington is the Vice-Chair. The Committee has reviewed the Measure P criteria and provided input. Safe Routes to School has been discussed with school district representative and there was discussion to include PTA meetings.

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There is an issue with Community Park Ballfields reconstruction job that has access to the park closed to bicyclists trying to enter on that side. Chair Page asked staff to investigate if ballards would work as a path blocker but still allow access for bicyclists.

Piazza Way is a private path with locked gates that has a bicycle path leading to it and there has been some discussion with staff as to the legal avenues to keep the gates open.

Staff will include BAC meeting minutes and place committee items under reports for future agendas. Motion made by Commissioner van Keulen, seconded by Commissioner Weber to accept this report, all approved.

Commissioner Tanda asked about the Safe Route to School Act? Provides for pedestrian and bicycle routes. Staff may want to investigate providing access to Live Oak for bicycles and a possible bike route between the two high schools. The grant proposal should suggest a route to school where school districts and city work together to devise safest routes with parents being informed.
Chair Page: Do we have a list of the "safe routes"? Staff to agenize at Bicycle Advisory Committee Meeting.

BUSINESS

6. **PARK, FACILITY AND RECREATION PROGRAMING MASTER PLAN AND COMMUNITY PARK MASTER PLAN INTRODUCTORY WORK SESSION** PW Deputy Director Struve
Recommended Action: Receive consultant's introduction and review of projects; **Decide** on "housekeeping" issues; **Discuss** project goals for both master plans; **Set** date and location for Community Meeting(s); and **Review** progress report on Bikeways Master Plan.

Commission determined that the Task Force meetings would be scheduled during their regular monthly meetings. Community Meeting will take place in March.

Consultant Lee Steinmetz outlined the goals and time line for the Master Plan processes. It will take six months for Community Park Master Plan to include study session. Input from the community will be taken by: Community Meetings; Parks and Recreation Commission Task Force sessions scheduled during the regular monthly meetings; Focus group study sessions; and Targeted group sessions.

Public Comment: Wayne O'Connell inquired about the site next to Community Park and if there would be better access off Edes Court to the park. He also asked about open green space within the overall park master plan and to consider San Pedro Ponds 40 acres as a potential site. Mr. O'Connell inquired if there was open space or greenbelt section included in the General Master Plan and if not, how will it be included? Consultant Steinmetz said there will be a need for coordination of overlap areas between the two plans.

Commissioner van Keulen asked for a copy of the City of Gilroy's Master Plan and staff will comply. He also asked if comments could be obtained in writing for the Community Park master plan.

Commissioner Hagiperos thought that the email survey idea was a great one.

Consultant Steinmetz discussed the process of analyzing Community Park. Refer to attachment A.

7. **SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER VACANCIES**

Recommended Action: Approve request by the Senior Advisory committee to accept the resignation of Committee Member Brown and to consider committee Member Swann's position a vacancy.

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Motion to approve the request by the Senior Advisory Committee to fill the two vacancies was made by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner van Keulen, all approved.

8. RULES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION COMMITTEES FOR SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE, YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Recommended Action: Review rules and incorporated changes as approved at the November 22, 1999 meeting; **Recommend** revised rules for City Council approval; **Chair** to assign Commissioners as liaisons to Senior and future Youth Advisory Committees.

Committee member to present reports at the Parks and Recreation Commission meetings. Recreation Supervisor will be assigned as staff liaison to the Youth Committee. Commission indicated that there needed to be a presence of staff or Commissioner at each of the Committee Meetings. Commissioner Schirle volunteered to be the liaison to the Youth Committee and Commissioner van Keulen volunteered to work with the Senior Committee.

Motion made by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner van Keulen, to approve the rules as presented; All Approved.

9. COMMUNITY CENTER PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND COST ESTIMATES

Recommended Action: Review preliminary design and cost estimates as presented to City Council; Support a phased build out and project cost.

Motion

to recommend to City Council the full build out of the Community Center but if not then the full build-out of the Phase One conceptual plans to include an arts studio and a 6100 sq. foot banquet hall.

Chair Page made the motion to recommend full build-out of the Community Center to include the Auditorium phase and Commissioner van Keulen seconded the motion with All Approved 7:0.

Commissioner Tanda stated for the record that it was an important project and that the Commission should speak with one united voice, as he was persuaded with the arguments of worthy opponents to endorse the full build out of the Community Center.

NEW BUSINESS

10. SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 12, THE STATEWIDE BOND FOR SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2000

Recommended Action: Support the passage of Proposition 12 at the March 7, 2000 Statewide Ballot; **Request** the Chair write a letter to the Editor in support of Proposition 12 and **Approve** the proposed resolution for City Council approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Hagiperos to support Proposition 12; All Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners with terms expiring May 1, 2000: Weber, Schirle, Tanda, Frederick

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REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Aquatic Sites

Lyceum Project Discussion

Referral Guide

Youth Committee - Models of Ordinances

Safe Route parks

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner van Keulen, all approved.

ADJOURNMENT Regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting on February 28, 2000.